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Examiner: Joseph R. Kosack
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Applicants: Luc J. Farmer
For: INHIBITORS OF SERINE PROTEASES, PARTICULARLY HCV NS3-NS4A PROTEASE

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.191, applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Examiner's October 3, 2006 Final Action finally rejecting claims in the above-identified application. The Director is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$500.00 for filing this appeal to Deposit Account No. 50-0725. Applicants are concurrently filing a petition for a three-month extension of time. With the extension, the Notice of Appeal is due on or before April 3, 2007.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0725. A duplicate copy of this Notice is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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